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SUBJ: KOREA VOTE SANCTIONS - GOG REACTS TO NY TIMES ARTICLE

REF: KREBS/ NORTON TELECON JAN 9; STATE 006495

1. LOCAL RADIO JAN 10 CARRIED BRIEF ITEM ON NY TIMES FRONT PAGE ARTICLE OF JAN 9. THIS MORNING (JAN 11) I WAS ASKED TO CALL ON FONMIN FRED WILLS AT HIS OFFICE. ALSO PRESENT WITH STORM CLOUDS WRITTEN ON COUNTENANCE WAS ECON DEVELOPMENT MINISTER DESMOND HOYTE.

2. WITH BRIEFEST OF USUAL CHEERY GREETINGS, WILLS GOT DOWN TO BUSINESS BY ASKING IF I COULD SHED ANY LIGHT ON NY TIMES ARTICLE. I SAID I WAS ONLY GIVEN BRIEF ORAL OUTLINE BY TELEPHONE FRIDAY AND INFORMMED FULL TEXT BEING CABLED ALONG WITH STATEMENT OF USG POSITION. I SAID ARTICLE ALLEGED SECY KISSINGER HAD DECIDED TO CUT BACK BILATERAL AID TO CERTAIN COUNTRIES AS OUTGROWTH OF VOTING PATTERNS IN UNGA, ESPECIALLY ON KOREAN AND ZIONISM ISSUES. TANZANIA AND GUYANA MENTIONED SPECIFICALLY IN ARTICLE.

3. I ADDED I HAD BEEN AWARE THAT OUR BILATERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS WERE BEING REEXAMINED IN CONNECTION WITH DEVELOPMENTS AT RECENT UNGA. I COULD FURTHER STATE THAT TO BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE REEXAMINATION DID NOT RPT NOT ENCOMPASS LOANS  
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OR PROJECTS ALREADY AUTHORIZED AND IN PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTATION.

IN CASE OF GUYANA, RICE MODERNIZATION, WATER SUPPLY, ROADS AND BRIDGES LOANS WERE IN LATTER CATEGORY. PROJECTS AFFECTED WERE PENDING PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND FOOD CROPS SUBSECTOR LOANS. HOYTE SAID HE THOUGHT TRAINING LOAN HAD GONE BY BOARDS, TO WHICH I REPLIED BY BRIEF RECITAL OF SEQUENCE OF EVENTS BETWEEN JULY 1975 AUTHORIZATION AND EXPIRATION THEREOF IN LATE OCTOBER. I SAID RENEWAL OF AUTHORIZATION HAD BEEN AFFECTED BY OVERALL REEXAMINATION.

4. WILLS ASKED FOR OFFICIAL USG STATEMENT AS TO ASSERTIONS IN NY TIMES ARTICLE. I SAID I HAD HOPED TO HAVE SAME THIS WEEK-,END, BUT I WOULD SEND URGENT CABLE TO INSURE MATTHEWS OR I WOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE HIM OFFICIAL STATEMENT NOT LATER THAN MONDAY JAN 12. WILLS ASKED HOW LONG I PLANNED TO BE AWAY (UNTIL AFTERNOON JAN 16), BUT DEMURRED WHEN I ASKED IF HE THOUGHT I SHOULD CANCEL MY TRAVEL PLANS.

5. I SAID ASST SECY ROGERS HAD ASKED ME TO REPEAT HIS REGRET THAT MEETING IN NY HAD NOT WORKED OUT, BUT HAD TOLD ME ABOUT USEFUL LUNCHEON MEETING WITH AMB. MANN. WILLS BRIGHTENED AND ASKED WHAT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED, SO I GAVE HIM HIGH LIGHTS FROM STATE 006495, OMITTING SENSITIVE PORTIONS OF MANNS' STATEMENTS IN PARAS 6 AND 7.

6. I ASCERTAINED THAT WILLS HAD NOT SEEN FULL TEXT OF NY TIMES ARTICLE, ALTHOUGH HE PRESUMES MANN WILL HAVE IT WHEN HE ARRIVES JAN 12.

7. WILLS ASKED IF I HAD RECEIVED ANY REPORTS ON OAU SUMMIT, TO WHICH I SAID ONLY SECOND HAND SUMMARY OF BBC NEWS BROADCAST OF JAN 10.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE SEND BY FASTEST MEANS FULL TEXT OF NY TIMES ARTICLE PLUS GUIDANCE WHICH WAS INDICATED TO BE IN PROCESS WHEN I SPOKE TO NORTON. OUR VIEWS ON HOW DISCLOSURE OF USG ACTIONS AFFECTING BILATERAL AID SHOULD BE HANDLED ARE ON RECORD (75 GEORGETOWN 2104). I BELIEVE WE SHOULD STICK TO FAIRLY NON-COMMITTAL STATEMENT RECOMMENDED THEREIN AND SEE HOW GOG REACTS BOTH PRIVATELY AND PUBLICLY. AS TO MY TRAVEL PLANS, MY PRESENT INSTINCT IS THAT CANCELLING THIS BRIEF TRIP MIGHT GIVE IMPRESSION

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WE ARE ON DEFENSIVE REGARDING THE AID ISSUE. MOREOVER, BURNHAMS' USUAL PATTERN ON MATTERS OF THIS NATURE IS TO PROCEED CAUTIOUSLY AFTER FULL DELIBERATION IN CABINET. IF THIS IS CASE, WE SHALL PROBABLY NOT GET INITIAL GOG REACTION BEFORE JAN 14 OR 15 IN ANY EVENT.

9. WOULD ALSO BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IF WE COULD HAVE FROM DEPARTMENT EARLIEST FACTUAL SUMMARY OF OAU SUMMIT PROCEEDINGS

TOGETHER WITH ANY ANALYTIC COMMENTS WE COULD APPROPRIATELY PASS  
TO WILLS.  
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